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The formerly competent reporter Tsuchiya, wrote a story that triggered the death of his friend. By coincidence he reunites with his friend's son, Yukihisa, of whom he takes charge. They start living together, but he forcefully makes love to him, who still cannot open his heart to Tsuchiya...

Can such a reunion play a song of love?

THE CATEGORY OF HAPPINESS

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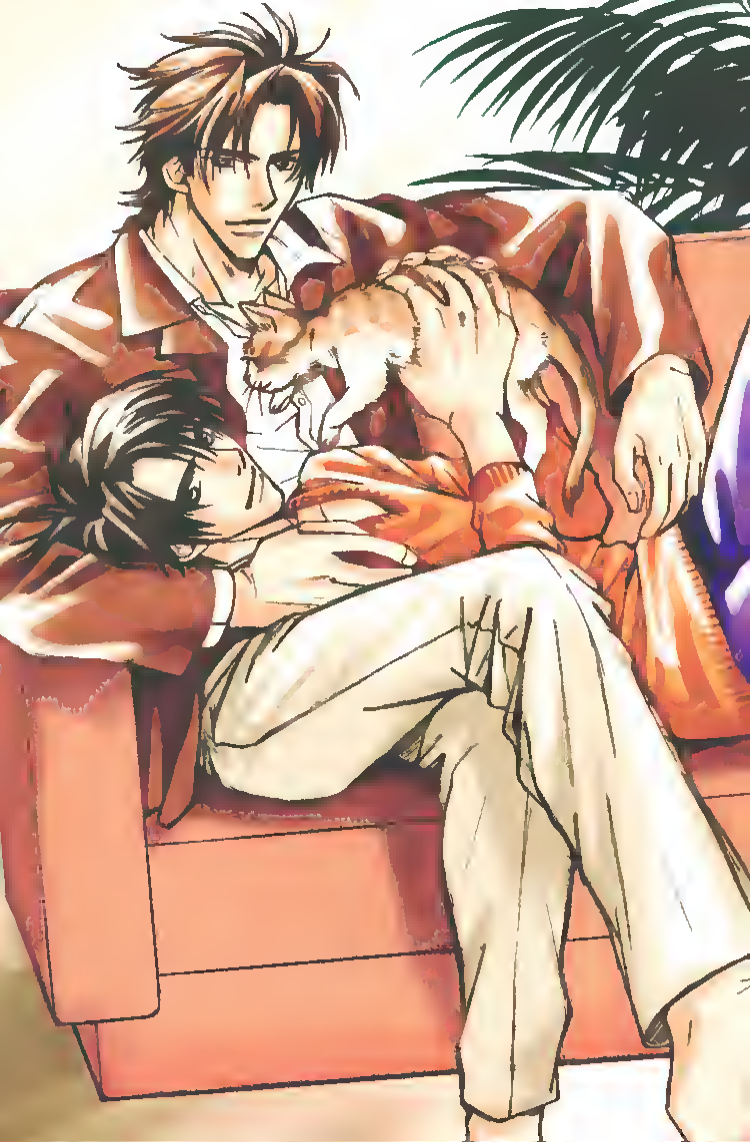

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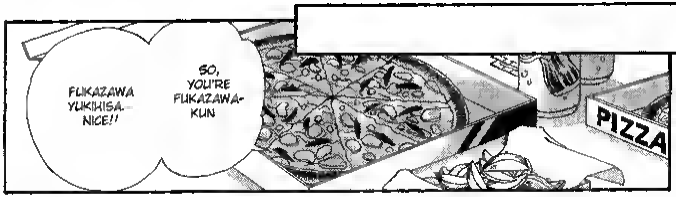
Chapter One
雨の約束
WHEN I FOUND HIM AFTER
TWO LONG YEARS OF SEARCHING,
JUST AS I'D THOUGHT...
RAIN WAS FALLING BETWEEN US...

LIKE I SAID...
Ocean Communications
IT WAS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT!
HUH?
WH...
WHO?

THAT STORMY NIGHT...
JUST A GLANCE AT YOU!
WHAT STORM? IT WAS JUST A DRIZZLE...
ANYWAY
I'VE RETURNED THE UMBRELLA I BORROWED...
AND I'VE SHOWN YOU MY GRATITUDE FOR LENDING IT TO ME.
BYE
"BYE"...? WAIT!
WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT? IT'S SO FAKE.
THAT'S WHAT I HATE THE MOST...
FA... FAKE!?
SL...
IT WAS COINCIDENCE THAT YOU HELPED ME. WHAT ELSE DO YOU REALLY KNOW ABOUT ME?
I LIKE YOUR FACE
THAT'S CREEPY!
NAME? AGE? BLOOD TYPE?
HOW CAN YOU SAY YOU LIKE ME WHEN YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT ME?
BESIDES, I DON'T TRUST PEOPLE'S FEELING OF "LIKE" AND THE WAY THEY SHOW IT.

OH NO! WHAT SHOULD I DO!?
I CAN'T FINISH THIS!!
I'M NOT GOING TO ASK WHAT—
SORRY FOR BOTHERING YOU
THEN, LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER NOW!!
I'M TSUCHIYA KENGO, A REPORTER FOR A TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY.
This is Myaa


FUKAZAWA YUKIHISA... NICE!!
SO, YOU'RE FUKAZAWA-KUN
PIZZA

COLA? OOLONG TEA?

HERE, HELP YOURSELF! NO NEED TO BE SHY! IT DOESN'T TASTE GOOD WHEN EATING ALONE
RIGHT, MY FRIEND
WHEN DID HE ORDER THIS?

HE'S KINDA IRRITATING
I CAN BRING MORE SCENIC PHOTOGRAPHS IF YOU WANT
Eh
OH! FUKAZAWA-KUN LIKES PHOTOGRAPHS?
hustle
hustle
snapping

CRAP I SHOULD BE GOING...
HEY... THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT...
AH...
HERE...
WILL YOU WORK FOR ME?
I NEED AN ASSISTANT
IT'S JUST SIMPLE TASKS— ARRANGING NOTES
CHECKING MY MAIL
ANSWERING PHONE CALLS
YOU CAN EVEN COME INTO CLOSE CONTACT WITH YOUR FAVORITE PHOTOGRAPHS— IF IT WERE YOU...
PUSH
YOU
DON'T YOU GET SUSPICIOUS OF OTHERS?

DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT SO EASILY
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF I TURNED OUT TO BE A CRIMINAL?
YOU DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT ME AFTER ALL—
SORRY— I'M BEING TOO CASUAL ABOUT IT—
HUH?
AND— MY RESUME
sigh
FUKAZAWA-KUN—
creak
NOTHING!!
close
...

TSUCHIYA? IS HE HERE?
I HAVE THE MATERIALS ON THAT LAW-SUIT.
THAT'S STRANGE...
I WAS TOO NERVOUS...
OH, IT'S YOU, MUTOU WHY DO YOU COME HERE EVERY MORNING?
WHAT KIND OF GREETING IS THAT? GIVE ME INFORMATION.
TSU-CHIYA, WHAT'S THIS?
YOU'VE GOT 'VEGETABLE SEASON'?
LOOKING FOR FOSTER PARENTS FOR KITTENS?
smack
ARE YOU SATISFIED WITH WRITING THIS SORT OF STUFF?

LOOK, THE MAIN OFFICE— THEY'RE STILL WAITING FOR YOU TO COME BACK
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
I RECENTLY GOT THIS COFFEE AS A THANK YOU GIFT!
YES, I AM SATISFIED
TSUCHIYA, I'M COUNTING ON YOU!!
YES, YES, YOU'VE DONE YOUR JOB OF LECTURING ME PROPERLY NOW GO BACK!
WAS THAT GUY FROM THE MAIN OFFICE?
HE WAS ONCE CALLED THE "TOP HUNTER" BY THE SOCIETY DEPARTMENT
EEEH, HE'S THAT FAMOUS!?
THE GUY WHO WOULD DO ANYTHING TO GET A STORY...
THAT'S SOME CRAP SAID BY PEOPLE WHO WERE JEALOUS! HIS ABILITY WAS JUST AMAZING!
EH... THEN WHY IS HE...
THERE WAS THIS INCIDENT THAT MADE HIM STOP WRITING...
FUKAZAWA-SAN...
THAT IDIOT IS STILL SUFFERING BECAUSE OF IT.

TSUCHIYA
THEY CAN SAY WHATEVER THEY LIKE
EVERYBODY IS BEING FOOLED BY HIS SWEET TALK
LEAVE HIM ALONE... HE'S THE TYPE WHO WOULD USE UNDER-HANDED METHODS
HE'S UNBEAT-ABLE
TSUCHIYA'S GOT IT AGAIN...
み処
DRINKING LIKE THIS WITH FUKAZAWA-SAN ON WEEKENDS IS MY ONLY ENJOYMENT...
WHAT HAPPENED? YOU DON'T LOOK VERY ENERGETIC TODAY
WELL... EVERYONE IS BEING SO HARSH...
I'm sick of this...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? THAT WEAK SPIRIT IS NOT LIKE YOU AT ALL
YOUR SPIRIT IS YOUR STRONGEST POINT, RIGHT?

AT THAT TIME, OUR TEAM WAS SUSPICIOUS ABOUT A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE OFFICIALS OF THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT AND A MAJOR CONSTRUCTION FIRM...
I'M GIVING HIM A MOBILE PHONE
IT'S TO CONGRATULATE MY SON'S ENTRY INTO SCHOOL
OH? IS THAT A PRESENT?
HEH... CONGRATULATIONS
FUKAZAWA-SAN, THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT MUST BE BUSY AROUND THIS TIME. TELL ME... IS THERE ANY NEWS?
HUH?
THERE IS EVEN AN INFORMAL MEETING WITH HIRAYAMA TAKAHARA OUTSIDE THE REGULAR APPOINTMENTS...
THE REAL BUSY PEOPLE ARE THE ONES WHO ARE AT THE TOP
EH ?
AH... IT'S NOTHING
AS I THOUGHT, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO ASK...
THE TOP!!
Truth about the Corruption in the Ministry of Construction
I'LL GIVE YOU THE POSITION AS THE TOP!!

WHY DID FUKAZAWA-SAN...!?
HE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!!
IT'S A SUICIDE!!
FUKAZAWA FROM THE MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION HAS COMMITTED SUICIDE!!
HEY! YOU CAN'T GO IN!
LET ME THROUGH! PLEASE!
KEEP O
WHY!?
SERIOUS PEOPLE TEND TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR EVERYTHING...
IN HIS SITUATION, HE COULDN'T ACT LIKE HE DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING
THE LAW IS STRICT THESE DAYS
WHA...T?
I SAW IT AFTER HE MET WITH THIS REPORTER FROM SOMEWHERE, HE GOT BLAMED BY HIS SUPERIORS...
A REPORTER?

I MESSED UP THE LIVES...
OF TWO INNOCENT PEOPLE...
IT'S...
WHAT A DISASTER... HIS SON WILL BE ALL ALONE NOW.
I'VE HEARD THAT HE'LL BE LIVING WITH HIS UNCLE.
MY FAULT...
BUT YOU CAN'T REALLY JUDGE A PERSON BY HIS LOOKS...
DID HE THINK HE COULD GET AWAY WITH IT BY DYING?
HE'S MISSING?
YES... I'VE HEARD THAT HE DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY.

THAT FUKAZAWA REALLY HAS IT ROUGH!
CAN'T HE EVEN PRETEND HE'S HAVING FUN?
HE LOOKS LIKE THE TYPE WHO DOESN'T HAVE FRIENDS
SEE YA!!
Skip
SLAM
YO! YOU'RE DONE?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WAIT A MINUTE!
I'VE BROUGHT YOU A GIFT. IT'S A PHOTO! GRIN!
YOU FREE?
I WAS THINKING THAT WE SHOULD GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER
LET'S GO ON A DATE! ♡
NO
I NEED TO CLEAN, DO THE WASH AND MAKE DINNER
Rolling too fast! Fall!
SWIM

ISN'T IT OKAY...?
NO... IT'S NOT
CLEANING UP...
AH, THANKS FOR THE TEA.
THAT'S PAYBACK FOR THE PIZZA.
WHY ARE YOU EVEN INSIDE MY HOUSE?
BUT IT'S ALREADY VERY CLEAN HERE
BY THE WAY, YOU SEEM TO BE GOOD AT COOKING...
OH, OKAY. YOU'RE VERY PROPER.
EHH!?
I THINK THERE ARE ALWAYS MOTIVES FOR BEING KIND TO SOMEONE,
SO, I DON'T WANT TO IMPOSE ON OTHERS.
YUKIHIS...
WHY DON'T YOU TRUST OTHERS?

PEOPLE LIE...
FOR MONEY AND POWER, PEOPLE WILL EASILY BETRAY OTHERS...
BUT THEY'LL ALSO PRETEND TO BE KIND TO YOU.
YOU'RE GOING TO CONTINUE LIVING LIKE THIS... ALONE?
YOU'RE THAT AFRAID OF BEING CHEATED THAT YOU WOULD STAY ALONE EVEN WHEN YOU FEEL SO LONELY AND ARE IN PAIN?
YEAH...
NOBODY CAN LIVE BY THEMSELVES
YOU'RE WRONG I'VE BEEN DOING IT ALL ALONG
AND YOU KNOW THAT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE YOU CAN'T CONTINUE LIKE THIS
WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT ME, WHEN WE JUST MET NOT THAT LONG AGO?

THEN, HAVE YOU FOUND A PLACE YET?
NO— NOT YET
THEN PLEASE HURRY I'VE ALREADY CONFIRMED THE NEXT RESIDENT
YOU CAN'T PAY THE RENT IF IT INCREASES. SO—
OH, THIS IS RARE A FRIEND OF YOURS?
NO—
I—
SORRY BUT I'M DEPENDING ON YOU!
Close
HOW MUCH MORE DO YOU NEED?
NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS YOU'RE DONE WITH YOUR TEA, RIGHT? SO GO HOME.
YUKIHISA.
JUST HURRY AND LEAVE!!
SLAM

YOU ARE SO EASYGOING ABOUT EVERYTHING
DESERT
REALLY?
WELL WELL...
IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE FELT SO MOVED. I THOUGHT THE LAST PART WAS REALLY TOUCHING
FAMILY LOVE IS WONDERFUL
YOU WERE PACING AT MY DOOR, REFUSING TO LEAVE!!
PLEASE DON'T DO IT AGAIN. IT'S EMBARRASSING!
BUT I WOULD NEVER HAVE THOUGHT THAT YOU WOULD COME OUT WITH ME TODAY.
PART 3
STOP THAT.
AWESOME.
It's
DESERT
AND HANGING OUT WITH ME SHOULD BE BORING FOR YOU, TOO
Italian Restaurant
Rossi

BUT, I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT...
"WHIMPER?"
YOU HAVE ONE!?
WHATEVER I WANT, I CAN BUY IT FOR MYSELF
ANOTHER INSTANT REJECTION...
SIGH
WHIMPER
YUKIHISA, IS THERE SOMETHING YOU WANT?
NOT REALLY
clatter
YUKIHISA
THIS IS A PRESENT FOR YOU! ♡
IT'S NON-REFUNDABLE, SO PLEASE ACCEPT IT WHETHER YOU'LL USE IT OR NOT
THEN, THIS ONE'S FOR ME ♡ IT MATCHES
ACCEPT-ANCE INTO SCHOOL CONGRAT-ULATIONS!
TA DA
OUR HOTLINE OF LOVE!

SERT
YOU'VE BEEN WORKING HARD CONGRATULATIONS
THANKS
YUKIHISA?
HEY, YUKIHISA!!
YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED THIS RIGHT?
PING PING
IT'S ONLY FOR OUR USE SO I WON'T ENTER ANYTHING ELSE.
HE'S ALREADY ENTERED HIS NUMBER.
AND ALSO, WITH THIS MOBILE PHONE—

T/N: Purikura= a photo sticker taken in a booth.

Yukihisa where do you want to go next week?
WHERE? WHAT?
Oh! Let's go to a mountain and take a lot of pictures!
STOP
You know...
AH— BUT IT'S IRRITATING THAT YOU GET TO DECIDE!
WHAT...
Just once more. Won't you trust me?
Hello? Yukihisa? Chocolate or vanilla?
HUH?
DON'T DON'T SURPRISE ME LIKE THAT!! I DON'T CARE
Then I'll take chocolate Yukihisa will take vanilla

I... I DON'T WANT YOU TO LIVE WITHOUT TRUSTING ANYONE
SO, ONCE MORE, WON'T YOU TRY BELIEVING?
UM...
AND... IF... YOU GET LOST OR SICK OF IT...
I WILL HOLD YOUR HAND AND GUIDE YOU...

HEY, FUKAZAWA-KUN!
WHO WAS THE GUY WAITING FOR YOU HERE THE OTHER DAY?
YOUR OLDER BROTHER?
OR IS THAT YOUR FRIEND?
OBSONS
OBSONS
Flash
About Part Time
sigh
WRONG
HEY... INTRODUCE HIM TO US...
HE'S SUPER COOL!!
WHAT'S HIS NAME?
click
pace
HEY!
HEY! WAIT! FUKAZAWA!
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM?
MOST LIKELY...
HIS FEELING OF "LIKE" WILL FADE WITH TIME, ANYWAY...

HE'S LATE!!
I HOPE HE DIDN'T GET INTO A FIGHT...
IS HE LOST?
NO, IMPOSSIBLE.
HEY, MISTER.
CAN I HAVE A MOMENT OF YOUR TIME?
YOU'RE A FRIEND OF FUKAZAWA-SAN?
YOU KNOW... THERE'S A RUMOR I'VE HEARD...
THAT HIS FATHER IS A CRIMINAL... IS IT TRUE?
BAM
EEK!
I DID IT FOR EVERYBODY... IF HE CAUSES TROUBLE...
YOU SEE, I NEED TO KNOW THESE THINGS.
WAIT... FOR THAT YOU'RE RAISING...

YES — THAT'S RIGHT
NO! NO!
DID HE DO ANYTHING? HUH?
HIS FATHER HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM AT ALL AM I WRONG?
YUKIHISA
WE'RE LEAVING THIS LOUSY APARTMENT!
AH!

I SHOULD GIVE UP...
Ocean Communication
I THE TRUTH IS, I QUIT HIGH SCHOOL HALFWAY MY QUALIFICATIONS...
WHAT?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU? IT DOESN'T MATTER!
I KNOW YOU WELL ENOUGH, SO THE QUALIFICATIONS DON'T MATTER!
OOH!! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
THOSE RUMORS... ALSO YOU SHOULDN'T HIRE ME...
ON THE OTHER HAND... YOU NEED TO LIVE HERE.
NO COMPLAINTS, OKAY?
BUT I...
I'M NOT CONFIDENT.
I'M NOT SURE I CAN WORK WITH OTHERS.
YUKIHISA.

ME TOO
AND EVERYBODY ELSE
PEOPLE WITH CONFIDENCE HAVE WORRIES, TOO
YOU ALWAYS TREAT ME LIKE A CHILD
REALLY?
PROBABLY, I WANT TO
WE'RE FATHER AND SON
IF I'M CAUGHT UP IN TROUBLE... THE ONLY THING I'M WORRIED ABOUT IS MY SON
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOUR SON IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO YOU
WEIRD GUY
I'LL KEEP MY PROMISE
WITH YOU AROUND I'M SO CONFUSED

YUKIHISA.
STAY WITH ME FOREVER.
ONLY BY DOING THIS CAN MY SIN BE FORGIVEN
AND I WILL BE SAVED
AH, OLD LADY
I ARRANGE AN OMIAI* AND YOU DON'T REPLY FOR A MONTH!
I CAME TO CHECK THINGS OUT BECAUSE I WAS WORRIED, AND I FIND YOU'RE LIVING WITH THIS MAN!?
DON'T CALL ME THAT!
TADA!
I'VE BOUGHT CHICKEN!!
HEY, KENGO!

*T/N: Omiai (or miai) = arranged marriage meeting.

I WON'T DO OMIAIS ANYMORE
Pon
Faint
YOU'RE TURNING THIRTY SOON, YET YOU RE STILL UNABLE TO SETTLE DOWN...
YOUR MOTHER BEGGED ME TO COME!!
I GET IT! I GET IT! ENOUGH ALREADY!
WAIT, KEN
EH...
ISN'T IT BETTER IF I LEAVE.
SLAM
I DON'T INTEND TO MESS UP YOUR LIFE...
YOU SHOULDN'T BE LOOKING AFTER ME...
YOU SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT YOUR FUTURE FAMILY

YOU'VE GOT IT COMPLETELY WRONG...
THE ONLY THING I WANT TO LOOK AFTER IN MY WHOLE LIFE...
IS YOU
I WANT TO BE CONNECTED TO YOU, BODY AND SOUL...
AND I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANY COMPLAINTS
STO...
GRAB

Uh
GUH.
Mh, mh
OW...
UH... UH... DON'T MOVE...
GU...
BEAR WITH IT...
...
!!
To be Continued

Chapter Two
雨糸の免罪符
I DID IT...
THIS IS BAD...
TO STOP HIM FROM LEAVING...
EVEN SO...
HAVING SEX WITH A BOY
WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING...

NN
tug
HEY HEY, IT'S LIKE A SCENE FROM A DRAMA! STOP IT

TSUCHIYA? YOU HERE?
OH?
hey hey
IT'S ALREADY TEN IN THE MORNING
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE STILL SLEEPING!
HEY... TSUCHIYA? YOU HERE?
WHAT...

AH...
cover
I... I'M REALLY SORRY I'LL GET DRESSED IMMEDIATELY
AH IT'S OKAY SORRY FOR ENTERING WITHOUT KNOCKING
BY THE WAY WHERE'S TSUCHIYA?
DON'T KNOW... WHEN I WOKE UP, HE WAS GONE...
OUCH!!
WHAT!? WHAT HAPPENED!?
NO... NOTHING.
I'M ALL RIGHT. THERE'S NOTHING WRONG.

OH, YES
I'M FUKAZAWA YUKIHISA I'M WORKING PART-TIME AND HAVE BEEN STAYING HERE FOR A FEW DAYS NOW
WHAT...
DID YOU JUST SAY?
BY THE WAY... YOU ARE?
Quickly
TSUCHIYA!!
scrub
scrub
HEY, HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON? IT'S NOISY...
COME WITH ME!!
grab
HEY STOP! OW
SFX: Slam
MUTOU...

WHAT THE HELL HAVE YOU DONE!? TSUCHIYA!!
YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO TALK TO ME LIKE THAT
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU'VE SEDUCED FUKAZAWA'S SON TO SEEK FORGIVENESS?
THEN DO YOU LOVE HIM!? THAT'S WHY YOU SLEPT WITH HIM!?
IS THAT IT!?
IT'S JUST LIKE EVERYONE SAID, YOU REALLY ARE TWISTED!
I WAS A FOOL TO BELIEVE IN YOU.
TO TRY TO MAKE UP FOR YOUR GUILT AND SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY WITH LOVE!? DO YOU THINK IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT AS LONG AS NO ONE FINDS OUT?
YOU'RE NOT IN LOVE WITH HIM ANYWAY!!

FINALLY...
SHUT UP!!
SLAM
I FINALLY FOUND HIM... DON'T TELL ME WHAT TO DO
YOU... ARE USELESS
OH... WHERE'S YOUR GUEST?
SLAM
YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE TEA FOR HER.
YUKIHISA

I LOVE YOU YUKIHISA
ENOUGH! YOU DON'T HAVE TO APOLOGIZE IT'S DISGUSTING
I DIDN'T WANT TO LOSE YOU I'M HORRIBLE.
SORRY ABOUT YESTERDAY
IT'S STILL MORNING!!
UNDERSTOOD I'LL DO THAT
THAT SO SUDDENLY YOU
THAT IS NEXT TIME PLEASE TELL ME BEFORE
BUT YOU'RE PRETTY FORCEFUL
I USED TO THINK YOU WERE SLOW IN THE HEAD!

THE THINGS YUKIHISA WANTS TO DO... THE THINGS HE WISHES FOR, I WANT TO GRANT THEM IF I CAN
HEY FUKAZAWA-SAN...
DID I MANAGE TO BECOME LIKE YOU?
IF I CAN HAVE A HEART BIG ENOUGH TO ACCEPT EVERYTHING LIKE YOU DID...
I don't like them
Ah! You have some left on your plate
FOR SOME REASON...
IT FELT LIKE HE HONESTLY WANTED ME
AM I... MAKING A MISTAKE?
THE SEX WAS UNPLANNED BUT
LET YOUR VOICE OUT. ISN'T IT HARD?
KU...
KU...
KU...
KEEP GOING!!
I... I'M OKAY!
IT'S IT'S ALL RIGHT. I'M FINE.
Yuu
Yuu
Yuu

Fukazawa
FOUND IT...
FUKA-ZAWA... SHOULD BE AROUND HERE...
Clink
ABOUT... SCHOOL?
YES I'M HERE TO OBTAIN YOUR PER-MISSION...
HA! MY NEPHEW, YUKIHISA, LEFT THE HOUSE SELFISHLY EVEN THOUGH WE TOOK GOOD CARE OF HIM.
NOW YOU WANT ME TO ALLOW HIM TO RETURN TO SCHOOL...
A PRIVATE SCHOOL... IT'LL BE SOMEWHAT TROUBLE-SOME...
THE PROCED-URES AND THE SCHOOL FEES WILL ALL BE MY RESPONS-IBILITY
I'M HERE JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE STILL HIS LEGAL GUARDIAN
WHAT A LIE... YOU'RE JUST WORRIED ABOUT HOW YOU WILL BE VIEWED BY SOCIETY...
Hahaha
WHAT IS IT? YOU LIKE 'IT' THAT MUCH?

HEY! DON'T IGNORE ME LIKE THAT!
ARE YOU ATTENDING YOUR UNIVERSITY CLASSES?
I WON'T SAY ANYTHING IF YOU INSIST WE WON'T PROTEST YOU CAN DO WHATEVER YOU LIKE.
AH... I'M GOING TO PUKE
SO THEY WANT FUKAZAWA-SAN'S INSURANCE PAYOUT.
HAHAHA. JUST TO LET YOU KNOW, THAT GUY DOESN'T HAVE ANY MONEY AT ALL
IT DOESN'T MATTER I'M DOING THIS OUT OF SINCERITY.
HE'S MY SON SHUUICHI.
THIS IS THE PERSON WHO'S TAKING CARE OF YUKIHISA NOW. PLEASE GREET HIM.
MISTER...
I'LL COME BACK WITH THE PAPERWORK

WON'T YOU, RETURN HIM TO ME?
twitch
HE'S MINE
LETTING HIM GO TO SCHOOL HEHEHE
WHAT ARE YOU TO HIM? HIS LOVER?
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO...
HE NEVER LETS OUT ANY SOUND RIGHT?
HIS FRIEND THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE
DURING SEX

HE'S PRETTY SUBMISSIVE
HAHA... BULL'S EYE?
SHOULD BE SINCE I WAS THE ONE WHO TRAINED HIM EVERY DAY...
NOT TO MAKE ANY NOISE WHEN WE WERE DOING IT
IT WAS VERY INTERESTING... THE EXCELLENT STUDENT AT SCHOOL IN THE AFTERNOONS BECOMING MINE AT NIGHT...
WHAT 'THAT'? MY TRAINING?
IS IT BAD?
YUKIHISA RELIED ON YOU GUYS AND CAME HERE...
AND YOU DID THAT TO HIM!?
MEH... IT'S BIG
SHUUICHI-NIICHAN, LOOK AT THIS!
SHUUICHI-NIICHAN!
YOU SEE... WE ACT LIKE WE CARE EVEN IF IT DOESN'T CONCERN US
WHAT THE HELL!? YOU ARE RELATIVES!!
CHILL... YOU'RE GONNA BURST A BLOOD VESSEL

FROM TODAY FORWARD, WE'LL BE TAKING CARE OF YUKIHISA
ONICHAN
AND WHEN IT DID START TO CONCERN ME I COULDN'T KEEP LAUGHING
BUT YOU CAUGHT THIS YOURSELF
I'LL GIVE THIS TO SHUUICHI-NIICHAN
NO! I WANT TO GIVE THIS TO YOU.
HURTS
SHUUICHI-NIICHAN...
IT HURTS
PULL IT OUT...
SO NOISY, SHUT UP!!
SHALL I TELL YOU SOMETHING, YUKIHISA? I HAVE ALWAYS HATED THE GOOD BOY AND THE EXCELLENT STUDENT YOU WERE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING
LISTEN UP. I HATE NOISES
LIH.
EVERY DAY, MY FATHER COMPARES US, AND I'M ALWAYS BENEATH YOU!!
YOU UNDERSTAND RIGHT? YOU RE CLEVER, AFTER ALL
OW...

FROM NOW ON, YOU'RE MY PET AND YOU HAVE TO OBEY ME
WHEN I'M DOING IT AND PUTTING IT IN YOU, NEVER MAKE A SOUND
DON'T COME BEFORE ME.
THIS IS AN ORDER UNDERSTOOD?
SHUDDER
THAT'S A GOOD BOY
I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU FROM NOW ON
STOP YOUR STUDYING AND COME HERE NOW, IDIOT.
DON'T WORRY. I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO'LL CARE FOR YOU.
I'VE HEARD ABOUT IT YOU'RE BEING DESPISED BY YOUR SCHOOL-MATES
YOUR FATHER'S REPUTATION IS PRETTY RAD BUT YOUR LAME CLASSMATES AT PRIVATE SCHOOL ARE PRETTY HORRIBLE, TOO

THRUST
DID YOU KNOW YUKIHISA? WHAT MY FATHER WAS SAYING ABOUT YOU?
SINCE YOU CAME HERE, MY GRADES HAVE BEEN DROPPING.
THERE ARE STILL REPORTERS COMING IN FOR INTERVIEWS.
MY FATHER BECAME USELESS, GAMBLING AND PLAYING WITH WOMEN USING YOUR INSURANCE PAYOUT.
THAT'S WHY MOTHER IS HYSTERICAL THESE DAYS.
YOU'RE BAD LUCK
I GUESS HIS BODY MUST STILL REMEMBER ME EVEN NOW
IT'S LIKE LONELY WITHOUT HIM- WON'T YOU RETURN HIM? MY TOY?
WHO'S GONNA RETURN HIM? BASTARD

MYAA?
HEY..
吉沢不動
...
MEOW
HEY! YOU'RE HERE
DINNER TIME.

IS IT GOOD?
drop
drop
SORRY THAT IT'S A LITTLE LATE..
IT'S ALL BECAUSE HE'S SO LATE
YOU KNOW... MYAA...
MYAA, AM I DOING WELL HERE?
CAN I STAY HERE FOREVER?
WAITING FOR SOMEONE LIKE THIS... IT MAKES MY HEART POUND

HEY! I'M HOME!
creak
AH— WELCO—
WHAT? IS SOMETHING WRONG?
AH... I HAVEN'T EATEN YET.
HUH—
WELL... PLEASE TELL ME WHEN YOU'RE RETURNING LATE
THE DINNER— IS WASTED!!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO MAKE IT

I SEE. I THINK SO, TOO
EATING ALONE IS BORING
WHAT? YOU HAVEN'T EATEN EITHER?
WHAT?
HMM?
YOU'RE IMAGINING IT
YOU JUST SMILED
WHAT AM I? A BABY?! YOU'RE REALLY IRRITATING!!
I WISH I HAD A CAMCORDER!!
NO, YOU DID SMILE!! THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SMILED!!
Haaa SO dull
BY THE WAY THAT...

MINE?
IT'S YOURS OPEN IT...
OH, RIGHT!!
TA-DAAH!!
DON'T PLAY WITH THE CHOPSTICKS...
WHATEVER JUST OPEN IT! OPEN IT!
Crunch
WHAT IS THIS?
!
GET A HIGH SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.
GO BACK TO SCHOOL...
NO!!
GO BACK TO SCHOOL YUKIHISA...
THREE

I'M ALREADY EIGHTEEN...
I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL!
I...
I WANT TO WORK HERE!!
YUKIHIGA...
STOP INTERFERING!!
YOU SAID THAT YOU DIDN'T CARE ABOUT MY BACKGROUND, DIDN'T YOU?
rattle
IT'S EMBARRASSING...
IF YOU'RE JUST EMBARRASSED I WON'T ACCEPT THAT!
IN FACT IT MIGHT BE MY EGO...
EVEN THOUGH YOU MIGHT NOT LIKE IT IT'LL HELP YOU... THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT
YOU LIKE STUDYING, RIGHT?
FEELING TOO SELF-CONSCIOUS AROUND PEOPLE, UNWILLING TO TAKE A RISK
LIFE'S NOT LONG ENOUGH FOR YOU TO CONTINUE GRIEVING THIS WAY

WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO MOVE ON?
PLUS, YOU CARE ABOUT THE FACT THAT YOU NEVER GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL...
SHUT UP!
I'M ALL RIGHT WITH BEING LIKE THIS!!
YOU DON'T WANT TO ENTER A PRIVATE SCHOOL, BUT WHAT ABOUT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT'S NEARBY...
THEN FROM HERE?
OF COURSE YOU STILL HAVE TO WORK HARD AT YOUR PART-TIME JOB.
OKAY?

NNH...
HERE, RAISE YOUR HIPS SO I CAN TAKE IT OFF...
OKAY...
TSU TSUCHIYA-SAN...?
PUSH
EH.
JUST DON'T MOVE!
NO
WAIT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? THIS...
IT'S OKAY NOT TO DO THIS JUST PUT IT IN LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO
LIKE ALWAYS...

push
I HATE THIS
STOP
WHAT?
EVERY TIME YOU LOOK YOU'RE HURTING. IT'S LIKE I'M BEING A BULLY
NOW TURN THIS WAY
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
NO—
clatter
I'M BEGGING YOU
STOP THIS
DON'T WORRY, I ASKED OTHERS FOR ADVICE ON THIS—
I WANT TO FIND YOUR GOOD SPOTS
NO— STOP..

SQUISH
HIL...
(haa)
haa
haa
haa
haa
...!!
NNH...
!!
KUWAGA
HIII...
HEY, DON'T HOLD BACK.
FOUND IT
haa
haa
haa
haa
I'LL MOVE MY FINGERS.

I TOLD YOU NOT TO HOLD IT IN! JUST COME!!
...
breath
breath
NN...!!
...!!
IT'S PAINFUL...
haa
haa
NO
I CAN'T DO IT...
haa
...
I GUESS HIS BODY MUST STILL REMEMBER ME, EVEN NOW.

NO...
haa
haa
TSUCHI-YA-SAN-YOU...
haa
DON'T BE AFRAID JUST COME!!
YUKIHISA...
...!!
KU...
squirt
NNH...
haa
SORRY SORRY I...
SORRY TSUCHIYA-SAN...
haa
haa
haa
DON'T CRY JUST BECAUSE YOU CAME FIRST

LISTEN UP. DON'T CLENCH YOUR TEETH SO TIGHTLY THAT YOU BITE OFF MY FINGERS
!!
Insert
FU...GU...
YUKIHISA, OPEN YOUR MOUTH A LITTLE
haa
haa
haa
OUCH!!
bikb
HO...
HORRY!!
IT'S OKAY...
TRY CALLING MY NAME, YUKIHISA.
—HUHIYA-HYAN
THAT'S RIGHT, KEEP IT UP.

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT WANT TO TRY SAYING "I LOVE YOU"?
HERE
HU HYA-HAN
THRUST
haa
NNH
HUHYA
THAT'S GOOD CONTINUE
HU HU
THRUST
haa
NNH
haa
TSUCHI
-SAN
THRUST
haa
MORE CONTINUE
TSU-CHIYA -SAN TSU-CHIYA-SAN
AAH
haa
AAH
THRUST
NN
THRUST
haa
AAH
THRUST
AAH
haa
CHIYA-SAN
I LIKE YOU
haa
HAA HAAH
NNH
SQUIRT
AAH!

SORRY AGAIN, I
(haa)
(haa)
Pull
DON'T WORRY, THERE'S STILL TIME
(haa)
(haa)
haaa
AAH...
YOU DID GOOD YUKIHISA.
Mumu
Mumu
WHAT EXACTLY AM I DOING?
Hello, This is N Public High School.
female
Mumu
YES I CALLED THE OTHER DAY... I'M COMING OVER RIGHT NOW...

RING RING
HEY, MYAA! DON'T SCRATCH THAT
HELLO... OCEAN COMMUNI-CATIONS...
Yo...
DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE MY VOICE?
SHUU...ICHI?
Aren't you being too cold to someone who took care of you?
Sa-sa-sa-

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雨糸の免罪符
fe de ELL
ELLE
THEN HE FELL IN THE BATH-ROOM!
Ha-Ha-Haa
WHAT A STUPID FATHER. IT WAS SO TROUBLESOME AFTER THAT...
STICK SUGAR

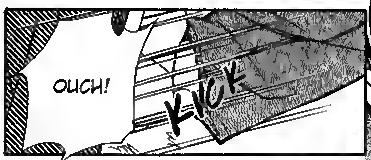
I DON'T INTEND TO TALK AMICABLY WITH YOU ABOUT THE PAST.
IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING IMPORTANT TO SAY, I'M LEAVING
WAIT!
HA-HAA! IT'S A FUNNY STORY.
COME BACK HOME, YUKIHISA
I'LL PREPARE YOUR ROOM FOR YOU
IT'LL BE FUN

I'VE GOT WORK TO DO. I DON'T HAVE TIME TO HANG AROUND A UNIVERSITY STUDENT WITH TOO MUCH TIME ON HIS HANDS.
WAIT...!
YUKIHISA--!
HEY, COME BACK!
THEN HOW ABOUT THIS?
I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING ABOUT THAT NEWS REPORTER.
I'VE DONE SOME RESEARCH...
DO YOU WANT ME TO TELL YOU WHY HE GOT CLOSE TO YOU?

YUKIHISA?
HEY...
WHERE DID HE GO?
FLIP
RING
RING
RING

HOTEL
Bzzz
Bzzz
I DIDN'T THINK IT'D BE SO EASY TO TRICK YOU JUST BY MENTIONING THAT GUY
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO? LET ME GO HOME!
IF I TELL YOU, YOU'LL IMMEDIATELY UNDERSTAND
THAT GUY JUST USED YOU TO GET A SCOOP ON YOUR DAD

TSUCHIYA IS THE KIND OF GUY WHO'LL BETRAY ANYONE TO GET THE JOB DONE


OUCH!
KICK

WHY'D YOU DO THAT?!
SHUT UP!

LISTEN UP THE TRUTH ABOUT THAT INCIDENT HASN'T COME TO LIGHT
HE GOT CLOSE TO YOU ONLY BECAUSE YOU ARE YOUR FATHER'S SON. HE COULD BE AFTER INFORMATION FROM YOU

COMPARED TO HIM, YOU'RE WAY MORE SCREWED UP!
SO YOU'RE GOING TO BELIEVE HIM?
YOU'VE SUDDENLY BECOME RATHER WILLFUL IS IT BECAUSE OF HIM?
TSUCHIYA-SAN IS NOTHING LIKE YOU!
YANK
WHATEVER YOU'LL BE DOING WHAT I WANT SOON ENOUGH

HE'S LATE!
WHAT THE HELL IS HE DOING?!
HE'S NOT ANSWERING HIS PHONE, HASN'T CALLED ME,
HASN'T LEFT A MESSAGE EITHER!
Puff
Puff
STILL OUT AT THIS HOUR? WHERE IS HE?!
squish
URGH...
Mh...
Ah...
HEH... LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE ENJOYING IT HERE

S-STOP...!
THRUST
NNH...
KU!
NNH...
GUH...
YOU CAN'T HOLD BACK, CAN YOU?
BAG JOHN
B-ZZZ
B-ZZZ
H-AH...!
AH...!
AHH...

Bzzt Bzzt
local
Tsuchiya
Beep
DON'T TOUCH THAT!
Yuki-hisa! Answer me!
local
Tsuchiya
09027345
Hello? Hello?
Yuki-hisa?!
AH...
THRUST
THRUST
UHH...
UH...
TSUCHI-YA-SAN.

SAVE ME..
TSU-CHI-
-yu-san..
Ahh!
Uhh..
HEH... YOU'VE BECOME LESS AGITATED JUST BY HEARING YOUR BOY-FRIEND'S VOICE.
Beep
Beep
Beep
YOU BELIEVE IN HIM SO MUCH
DO YOU HONESTLY THINK THAT HE REALLY LOVES YOU?
STOP!

YUKIHISA...!
YUKIHISA-KUN?! AH! NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, HE HAD TEA WITH A GUY WHO SEEMED TO BE A FRIEND.
SO NOISY...! OH, TSUCHIYA-SAN!
BANG
BANG
WHAT KIND OF GUY?!
WHAT... KIND?
DID YOU SEE MY YOUNG ASSISTANT TODAY?
HEY...!
PLEASE, OPEN THE DOOR! OPEN UP!

HELLO?
AH, THIS IS TSUCHIYA, FROM THE OTHER DAY...
Shuuichi...? Well, I don't really know. He's already a university student...
Calling at this hour! Don't you have any manner—?
I KNEW IT! HE'S THE ONE...
HANG UP
WHAT DO YOU WANT,
CALLING SO EARLY IN THE MORNING?

CONTACTING THE INFORMATION CENTER...? WHAT ARE YOU INVESTIGATING?
YES, THAT'S RIGHT. I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU.
I'LL CONTACT MINAMOTO-SAN MYSELF.
YES, PLEASE. COMPILE THE REPORT AT THE INFORMATION CENTER.
YES, TWO BOYS, ONE ROUGHLY TWENTY, THE OTHER EIGHTEEN. I'LL SEND YOU THEIR PHOTOS LATER.
I'M LOOKING FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THIS GUY USING A TAXI SERVICE.
WHAT...? WHY?
I'M HEADING BACK TO THE OFFICE NOW.
I STAYED UP ALL NIGHT SEARCHING FOR HIM, SO I'M EXHAUSTED.
WHAT?
THE PART-TIMER HE HIRED WENT MISSING
A SEARCH?
AH, HELLO, IT'S ME.
NAGAI-SAN?
IT'S FOR A SEARCH

TSUCHIYA...
I WAS GLAD THAT HE'D CALMED DOWN, BUT HE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL...
Ha-ha-haa!
MYAA...
SORRY FOR BEING LATE, YOU MUST BE HUNGRY.

YUKIHISA, WHERE THE HELL ARE YOU ..?
SHIT.
YOU'RE ALWAYS TREATING ME LIKE A CHILD
HE'S MY TOY
GRIND
TSU-CHIYA-SAN... I LIKE YOU
RISE
SLAM
FUKAZAWA-SAN, I...

HEY, YUKIHISA. WAKE UP.
WE'RE LEAVING HERE SOON
MY FRIEND IS LETTING US STAY OVER AT HIS PLACE.
...
THAT'S ALREADY... ENOUGH... ISN'T IT? LET ME GO HOME.
HUH, GO HOME?
YOU'RE KIDDING ME! AFTER DOING IT WITH ME ALL NIGHT?
LOOK AT YOURSELF NOW! YOU THINK HE'LL STILL LOVE YOU?

I FOUND HIM, THE DRIVER
THEY GOT OUT OF THE TAXI HERE AND WENT OFF IN THIS DIRECTION
I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT THIS, MUTOU. I'LL DO THE REST.
I'LL DEFINITELY REPAY YOU FOR YOUR TROUBLE.
YOU INTEND TO CONTINUE THE SEARCH TONIGHT?
TSUCHIYA, ARE YOU GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP?
TSUCHIYA, YOU AND THE BOY...
REALLY ..?
Rustle
AH, I'M GOING HOME.
EVEN IF YOU DON'T FIND HIM, BE SURE TO THANK NAGAI-SAN AND THE OTHERS PROPERLY.

OF COURSE YOU'RE NOT THE SORT TO GIVE UP
I'LL DEFINITELY FIND HIM.
YES, THE CUSTOMERS STAYED OVER-NIGHT. LET ME CHECK. IT'S ROOM 502.
BUT THEY PLAN TO CHECK OUT TODAY--
THANKS!
stuff
HOTEL
PLAZA

WHERE ARE YOU, YUKIHISA?!
YUKIHISA!
AH!
TSUCHIYA -SAN!

AH!
TSUCHIYA-SAN!
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU FOR THIS!
TSUCHIYA-SAN, STOP IT!
TRY HITTING ME!
IF YOU DO, I'LL TELL THE MASS MEDIA EXACTLY WHAT YOU'VE DONE!
YOU'LL NEVER BE A REPORTER AGAIN!

WHAM
DO WHATEVER YOU WANT
IT'S TOO BAD FOR YOU. IF THIS HAD HAPPENED IN THE PAST, I WOULD HAVE NEVER GIVEN UP MY STATUS AS A REPORTER
BUT NOW, I'VE FOUND SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT.

IF YOU TRY SOMETHING LIKE THIS AGAIN...
...I'LL MAKE YOUR LIFE A LIVING HELL.
YU-YUKIHISA IS MINE!
WHEN I TOLD HIM TO SHUT UP, HE DID, AND WHEN I WANTED TO FUCK, HE TOOK OFF HIS OWN CLOTHES!
HE DID WHAT I SAID--!
ARE YOU OKAY?
YES
SHUT UP
--!

RAIN...?
IT WASN'T RAINING BEFORE.
LET'S CALL A TAXI.
YUKI-HISA?
HE...
WHAT HE SAID WAS TRUE.
I DID EVERYTHING HE TOLD ME TO DO—
—SINCE BACK THEN

YUKIHISA...
I...
I DON'T DESERVE TSUCHIYA-SAN'S LOVE...
I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER HOLD ME LIKE THIS AGAIN.
TSUCHIYA-SAN...
YOU ASKED ME TO HELP YOU
YOU DISOBEYED HIM...

ELEVEN
SPLASH
SPLASH
IS IT REALLY OKAY NOT TO CALL A TAXI ..?
THE RAIN ISN'T REALLY HEAVY
IT WASN'T COINCIDENTAL
YOU INTRUDED ON THE FIGHT AND THEN THREATENED TO CALL THE POLICE. HOW SILLY!
EH?
IT WAS ALSO RAINING ON THE DAY I HAPPENED TO MEET YOU, TSUCHIYA-SAN

I...
YUKIHISA, I NEED TO TELL YOU SOMETHING
I'VE BEEN INVESTIGATING YOUR FATHER'S DEATH
IT WAS FOR THE ARTICLE THAT I WAS WRITING
I WAS TRYING HARD TO FINISH MY WORK, BUT

WHEN I HEARD THAT YOU'D LEFT YOUR RELATIVES' HOUSE,
I BEGAN LOOKING FOR YOU
THERE WAS NOTHING MORE I COULD'VE DONE FOR FUKAZAWA-SAN
KEEP O
WHEN I FINALLY FOUND YOU...
...I'VE BEEN REGRETTING IT
I SHOULD HAVE TOLD YOU THE TRUTH AND APOLOGIZED BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE.

IN THE HOTEL...
YUKIHISA...
MY FATHER OFTEN TOLD ME 'BOUT HIS FRIEND,
WHO WAS A BIT RECKLESS AND A DARE-DEVIL, BUT HE'D DO EVERYTHING IN HIS POWER TO DISCOVER THE TRUTH.
WHAT YOU SAID TO SHUUICHI,
I BELIEVE THOSE WORDS.
I WISH I COULD HAVE LIVED MY LIFE LIKE THAT, TOO.

EVEN ON THE DAY THAT HE READ ABOUT THAT REPORT...
...HE DREW THAT SAME CONCLUSION.
WHENEVER FATHER SAID THAT, HE HAD A HAPPY LOOK ON HIS FACE.
FUKA-ZAWA-SAN--!
IT'S NOT TSUCHIYA-SAN'S FAULT

FUKA-ZAWA-SAN...
TSU-CHIYA-SAN?
SORRY... LET ME STAY LIKE THIS FOR A WHILE
OKAY

ON THAT DAY, THE SILENT RAIN BLAMED ME...
御霊塚
...NOW, THE RAIN GENTLY WASHES AWAY MY SIN.
LET'S GO HOME YUKIHISA.
OKAY,
The END

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GUA...
BLOW
GUARDIAN MEETING?
YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE TO COME THOUGH
YOU HAVE TO TELL ME EARLIER ABOUT THESE KINDS OF THINGS!
WHEN? WHERE?!
IT'S HOT HOT!
NEXT WEEK.

click
HIGH
LOW
COOL
OFF
WHAT? EXAMS?
WE'RE HAVING END OF TERM EXAMS, SO THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE THE MEETINGS DURING THAT TIME
rise
NOT REALLY... I'VE BEEN PASSING MY EXAMS ANYWAY
flomp
BAKA!! WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME EARLIER?!
WHY
THEN, AREN'T YOU HAVING YOUR EXAMS NOW? TO BE SO CAREFREE ABOUT STUDYING...
AH! THAT'S WRONG IF I COME HOME EARLY I CAN DO MORE OF MY PART-TIME JOB
I CAN MAKE VARIOUS DISHES, INSTEAD OF EATING TAKE-OUT LIKE TODAY! THAT'D BE NICE

pat
THERE! REST A LITTLE
You must be feeling tired
TSUCHIYA-SAN.
AS AN ADULT, I SHOULDN'T BE LAYING MY HANDS ON A CHILD WHO IS HAVING EXAMS
THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM HERE!
I'M. FINE SO.
LATELY,
YOU WANT TO DO IT? ONE MORE TIME...

IT'S GETTING DIFFICULT FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND MYSELF AND THE THINGS I CHOOSE TO DO.
NNH...
PUSH
AAH...
MY CONSCIENCE KNOWS BETTER, BUT I CAN'T SEEM TO STOP MYSELF.
Hug
EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE JUST DRESSED ME...
NNH.....

HAA... AAH. IT'S OKAY!!
IT'S... ENOUGH... ENOUGH.
HAA... AAAH... WE DID IT BEFORE SO... AH...
Ha
NNH.
YA...
Ha
Ha
AAH
HAA.
ENOUGH. ALREADY. HURRY...
I'M BEING EATEN UP INSIDE. I KNOW IT'S WRONG, BUT I CAN'T HELP IT...
I WANT TO DO IT WITHOUT A RUBBER.
Haa
Haa
YUKIHISA.
...WHAT?
OKAY

GU UU..
AH..
HAA.
NNH...
KU UU.
FUU
UU UU.
nod
nod
YOU ALL RIGHT?
HAA.
HAA.
HA
I LOSE MY RATIONALITY WITH THIS CHILD AS MY PARTNER.
AAAH.
AAH
BAKA
PUSH
AAH.
I CAN FEEL IT MORE WITHOUT THE RUBBER.

TRY CALLING ME KENGO
TSUCHIYA-SAN..
...CHIYA-SAN
AAH
Haa
Haa
Haa
KE... KENGO..
I LOVE YOU TO THE POINT WHERE IT'S DIFFICULT TO BREATHE
NNH... NNH.
PULL
WAIT!
JUST LIKE THIS, COME INSIDE ME
I THINK I'M DROWNING
TSUCHI.. YA-SAN..

THE FUTURE?
YES HAVE YOU ASKED YUKIHISA-KUN ABOUT WHAT HE'D LIKE TO DO IN THE FUTURE...?
HE... SEEMS TO HAVE AN INTEREST IN CAMERAS
I WAS THINKING HE COULD ENTER A SCHOOL AND MAJOR IN PHOTOGRAPHY
wipe
AH— NO, NOT YET
OH, I SEE.
WITH THESE RESULTS... FEELS A LITTLE WASTEFUL THOUGH...
HAA...

OH WELL, SINCE HE'S STILL A CHILD, HE MAY FEEL A BIT LOST...
PLEASE THINK ABOUT IT CAREFULLY AND ASSIST HIM IN CHOOSING THE RIGHT PATH
IF I'M RIGHT... TSUCHIYA-SAN IS A REPORTER
HAA...
YES
THEN... YOU MUST BE BUSY EVERYDAY
NO... I'M WORKING IN A SMALL TELE-COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, SO...
I SEE
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT FUKUZAWA-KUN, BUT...

KIDS NOWADAYS ARE CAUGHT UP WITH MANY TEMPTATIONS...
CARELESS OF THE DANGERS OF THIS WORLD PLAYING OUTSIDE LATE AT NIGHT WITHOUT RETURNING HOME,
TO SAY THAT IT'S SOCIAL LIFE... THEY MIGHT EVEN BE HAVING SEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS
DROP
?
AH. SORRY. MY HAND SLIPPED
IT'S NOTHING... FURTHERMORE, I THINK THE PROBLEM LIES WITH THE ADULTS WHO PREY ON THEM.
DROP
TSU-TSUCHIYA-SAN?
ANYWAY, WHERE THE EYES OF THE SCHOOL CAN'T REACH, IT'S UP TO THE GUARDIANS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY AND COOPERATE WITH US A LITTLE...
HA. HAA.
drained
sigh

GRIND
click

TSUCHIYA-SAN,
BYE FUKAZAWA-SAN SEE YOU TOMORROW
OKAY.
I WANTED TO SEE WHAT KIND OF EXPRESSION YOU'D HAVE WHEN YOU RETURNED, SO I WAITED
WHY DIDN'T YOU GO BACK FIRST?
SHE'S JUST MY CLASSMATE...
YOU TWO LOOK GOOD TOGETHER.
WHY DON'T YOU WALK HOME WITH HER?
YUKIHISA, SHALL WE DO A LITTLE SHOPPING BEFORE GOING BACK?
OKAY.

SANKON
AH! SANKON'S NEW MODEL!!
IF YOU IMPROVE YOUR GRADES, I CAN BUY ONE FOR YOU.
WHAT?
THEN... MAYBE I'LL WORK HARDER...
WORK HARD, WORK HARD AND STUDY THAT'S WHAT A STUDENT SHOULD DO...
MIGHT BE A LITTLE DIFFICULT THOUGH...
Crowd
WHAT'S WITH YOU, SUDDENLY?

crowd
crowd
HOLD THIS FOR ME.
PULL

sit
TSUCHIYA-SAN IS REALLY COOL...
WHAT A PITY— AFTER ALL THAT FIGHTING, I WON THE STORY...
DAMN!
suik
OH, YUKIHISA-KUN. GOOD AFTERNOON
MUTOU-SAN.

THANKS LET'S GO BACK
MUTOU-SENPAI!! I SENT THE INFORMATION TO THE OFFICE
IF YOU'RE REGRETTING IT,
HURRY UP AND RETURN TO THE MAIN COMPANY
Hahaha
AH
YOU... WHEN DID YOU COME BACK TO JAPAN?!
YOU TOO!! WHY DID YOU QUIT AT THE MAIN COMPANY?!
TSUCHIYA?!
Tsuchiya-san
KAWADA!!

HOW NOSTALGIC
YOU SEEM FINE.
OF COURSE! WE'RE FRIENDS WHO'VE SWORN TO BE IN THIS PROFESSION FOR LIFE.
WAIT A MINUTE. YOUR SPECIALIZATION WAS NATURE, SO WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN NEWS?
I'M ONLY HELPING MUTOU TEMPORARILY.
WHO CARES, HE WAS BORED AS HELL.
EVEN THOUGH IT'S A LITTLE EARLY, HOW ABOUT A DRINK...?
HUH~~~
...WHAT?
HMM...
UH.
YOU WON'T BE NEEDING DINNER, RIGHT?
TSUCHIYA-S.N, I'LL HEAD HOME FIRST.
AAH.. SORRY YUKIHISA.

ERM... THE MAIN COMPANY WILL ALWAYS WAIT FOR YOUR RETURN!
PLEASE, COME BACK SOON!
LET'S GET GOING THEN.
THOSE SINGLE MEN WILL BE CATCHING UP WITH EACH OTHER.
PLEASE EXCUSE US, TSUCHIYA-SENPAI.
DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP.
THEN, YUKIHISA, GO HOME AND STUDY.
GOT IT.
FUKAZAWA-KUN.

ONE THING...
I FORGOT TO SAY
(Haa)
(Haa)
YES?
I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE RELATED TO THAT INCIDENT...
YOU KNOW— REPORTERS— THEY MIGHT SEEM COLD, BUT THEY SHOULDN'T ALLOW THEIR PERSONAL FEELINGS TO GET MIXED UP WITH WORK
HOW SHOULD I SAY THIS—?
WE NEED TO FORGET THE PAST IN ORDER TO MOVE ON

I DO NOT THINK THAT IT'S GOOD FOR HIM...
YOU UNDERSTAND, DON'T YOU?
SORRY FOR THE STRANGE CONVERSATION...
Bye.

IS IT WRONG FOR A REPORTER TO TAKE A BREAK FROM HIS JOB?
WELL THEN, HAVE YOU DONE IT? IF MY INTUITION IS CORRECT... FUFUFU!
YOU'RE REALLY...
WHAT IS IT? YOU'VE BEEN GRINNING
JUST THAT YOU USED TO RUSH AROUND FOR STORIES
BUT I HEARD THAT YOU'VE CALMED DOWN RECENTLY
I'M SO SORRY
AH AH.
AHAHAHAHA YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL
DON'T LAUGH!!
IS IT REALLY THAT GOOD? YOU'VE DONE IT, RIGHT? WITHOUT A DOUBT
rattle
WHAT'S WRONG? SPIT IT OUT!
OH, I DIDN'T THINK THAT YOU WOULD GO DOWN THAT PATH.
BUT HE'S A RATHER CUTE CHILD.

OFFICE
YOUR OWN?
IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO HAVE A COMFORTABLE PLACE TO WORK.
IT'S KINDA LONELY WITHOUT HAVING A FIXED PLACE AT THIS AGE...
AS MITOU'S HANDYMAN, DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH...
SAME GOES FOR YOU!
I'M BORED SINCE MY OFFICE HASN'T BEEN FINISHED YET
TOO BAD, BUT
RIGHT NOW, I WANT TO FALL IN LOVE WITH PHOTOGRAPHY ALL OVER AGAIN.
I NEED A FAVOR FROM YOU...
WHAT IS IT, KEN-CHAN?
STOP CALLING ME BY THAT NAME
KAWADA,

THE REASON TSUCHIYA-SAN ISN'T RETURNING TO THE MAIN COMPANY .
squeeze
...
JUMP
IT'S BECAUSE OF MY BEING HERE

YO—
I'M BACK—
WHAT'S WRONG?
WHY DIDN'T YOU TURN ON THE LIGHTS?
TSUCHIYA-SAN...
NO
IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'RE HERE THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT
THIS IS...
LOOK INSIDE

AH ..
THIS WAS THE PHOTO YOU WERE LOOKING AT WHEN YOU FIRST CAME HERE, RIGHT?
THE GUY WHO TOOK IT,
KAWADA TATSUHIKO, NATURE PHOTO-GRAPHER..
AH . THE GUY YOU MET TODAY.. WE WERE CLASSMATES
DO YOU WANT TO WORK AT HIS PLACE?
WHAT...?

I CAN VOUCH FOR HIS SKILLS,
AND NOT TO MENTION HIS CAREER AND CHARACTER.
HE'S SETTING UP HIS OWN OFFICE.
HE'S LOOKING FOR AN ASSISTANT.
IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN CAMERAS, THERE ARE NO OTHER REQUIREMENTS
HOWEVER, THERE'S A TEST, SO YOU NEED TO STUDY FOR IT.
THEN, HERE...
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO RETURN FOR A WHILE

TSUCHIYA-SAN...
THIS WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU.
I'LL DO IT.
I WANT TO LEARN MORE PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS...
AND KAWADA-SAN IS SOMEONE I CAN RESPECT...
IF THAT'S THE CASE, YOU'D BETTER START PREPARATIONS...
AH... YOU'RE RIGHT.

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rustle
rustle
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Class 1-3
Fukazawa
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Results sheet
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TOP..
HUH... WITH THESE GRADES, WHAT IS THERE TO IMPROVE..?
DAMNIT

I DIDN'T ASK HIM ABOUT HIS DREAMS OR HIS FUTURE
I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HIS CLASS RANKING
YET I'VE BEEN DEMANDING SEX EVERY NIGHT, LIKE AN ANIMAL
WHAT KIND OF GUARDIAN AM I?
Mathematics I
Modern Japanese

OH... STRANGE...
PUSH
PUSH
PUSH
IT WON'T FIT..
SHIT... GO IN...
SQUEEZE
THIS
EVEN THOUGH THERE'S STILL SPACE...
(Haa)
(Haa)
WHAT THE HELL
EVEN THOUGH IT WENT IN PERFECTLY.
DRIP
DRIP

PURR
PURR
UH
MYAA
THIS...
IS THE RIGHT CHOICE ...
To be Continued

幸福のカテゴリー
Category of Happiness
SHIP
DROP
DROP
scratch
NNH—
SHIT, I ENDED UP SLEEPING HERE AGAIN.

RRR
blow
I'M SORRY, BUT WE'VE CONVERTED INTO A PIZZA HOUSE
Erm...
HANG-UP
click
click
PARDON? SEARCH FOR A LOST DOG?
RRR...
HELLO, THIS IS THE PIZZA HOUSE... MAY I HAVE YOUR ORDER?
—WHAT THE HELL? IT'S BEEN TWO WEEKS —
HE SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST CONTACTED ME ONCE

OH, KAWADA.
Is it delicious?
Hahaha! Since when did you become a pizza house?
What's with that?! You're so mean!
Whatever Are you still alive?
Bye then...
Come visit once in a while
YEAH, I'M ALIVE.
Aren't you crying, since I took your boy away?
I'M GONNA HANG UP.
Haha! I'm calling about the party to celebrate the opening of my new office next week. Don't forget about it! That's all
HEY, WAIT! KAWADA!!

Huh?
What are you saying? You see him every night don't you?
He always leaves the office right after he's done with his work
HE... IS HE DOING WELL?
squeeze
Or is it that you feel lonely without seeing him for half a day?
Hahaha.
WHAT?

Hanada
Laboratory

IN THIS CASE SHOULD I, THE OLD MAN STEP AWAY FROM THIS RELATIONSHIP..?
'CAUSE IT SEEMS INTERESTING
COME TO THINK OF IT, WHY ARE YOU HERE?!
IT WOULD BE A WASTE TO MISS THIS!
JUST BECAUSE OF THAT, YOU CHASED AFTER ME FROM YOUR OFFICE?!
HOHO— IT'S A DATE
Ah to be young
KAWADA, DON'T STEAL MY LINES!

NO... IT'S BECAUSE YOU WERE ACTING STRANGELY YESTERDAY
HUH?
ANYWAYS, ARE YOU FINE WITH THIS?
IDIOT! ARE YOU JUST GONNA LET HIM GO?!
IF YOU WANT TO LAUGH, GO AHEAD!
AFTER ALL, I'M JUST A PATHETIC GUY SNEAKING AROUND, SPYING ON YUKIHISA'S DATE.
THAT'S TRUE. NO NEED TO BE SOUR
HOW COULD I BARGE IN ON THEM IN THIS SITUATION?
I CAN'T DO IT...
YOU'RE SO HELPLESS—
WAIT, WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING!?
HERE!

Yes?
YU... YUKIHISA..
Tsuchiya san?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING NOW?
Eh? Erm, now?
Erm. I'm at my friend's house... studying.
AH. I SEE. THEN THAT'S ALL
BYE
Tsuchiya san?!
Tsuchi
AH.
HEY! TSUCHIYA?!

THAT'S... THIS IS ALL I NEED TO KNOW.
FUKAZAWA-KUN IS A REALLY WEIRD PERSON.
DO YOU WANT ME TO TEACH YOU MORE?
HOW IS IT? I'M PRETTY HELPFUL, AREN'T I?
THANKS FOR THE MEAL!
SORRY, I ALREADY HAVE SOMEONE I LIKE.
AND PROBABLY IN THE FUTURE, I'LL STILL ONLY LOVE THAT PERSON.
HMMM...
THAT'S SO BORING.
HEY, I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE...
WON'T YOU GO OUT WITH ME?
rattle
YOU'RE PRETTY INTER-ESTING.

KAWADA-SENSEI HAS FINALLY OPENED HIS OWN OFFICE!
HOW SUCCESSFUL OF YOU.
NO, NO... I'M STILL A NOVICE.
Kawada Laboratory
YOU'RE JUST BEING HUMBLE. I HEARD THAT YOU'VE HIRED THE BEST STAFF AVAILABLE.
kawadaLabortory
Opening Ceremony
AS EXPECTED, KAWADA TATSUHIKO IS A GREAT MAN.
YEAH, THERE WERE STORMS OF OFFERS JUST NOW.
ON THE OTHER HAND...
DON'T BOTHER WITH TSUCHIYA. WE CAN'T HAVE HIM STEALING ALL THE GLORY.

BUMP
WE'LL LOSE THIS CHANCE TO SHOW OUR ABILITIES—
EXCUSE ME.
WHAT'S WITH THAT KID?
TSUCHIYA.
YOU LOOK TOTALLY DIFFERENT, MUTOU
I NEED TO TALK TO YOU

WHAT, ARE YOU GOING TO CONFESS YOUR LOVE TO ME?
I'M NOT GOING TO JOKE AROUND WITH YOU.
THE CHIEF AT THE STATION IS GOING TO BE TRANSFERRED TO NEW YORK NEXT YEAR.
NEW YORK?
IF YOU DECIDE TO RUN AWAY NOW, THERE WON'T BE ANOTHER CHANCE
THE NEXT CHIEF WILL BE SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T KNOW OF YOUR SKILLS.
DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION?

WHAT EXACTLY IS STOPPING YOUR PROGRESS?
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU'RE STILL HESITATING BECAUSE OF YUKIHISA?!
I WAS PREPARED FOR THIS POSSIBILITY WHEN I BECAME HIS GUARDIAN
AND I'M NOT WILLING TO GIVE HIM UP AT THIS STAGE

FOR ME MUTOU, I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIS DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE.
HOW CAN I CLAIM THAT I'M TAKING GOOD CARE OF HIM?
IF I RETURN TO THE MAIN COMPANY, THERE WILL BE TIMES WHEN I'LL BE UNABLE TO RETURN HOME FOR HALF A MONTH. RIGHT NOW, THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO DO.
YOU LIKE HIM THAT MUCH, ...? THAT BOY.
YES, VERY MUCH
I SEE
I FEEL SOMEWHAT ENVIOUS

Ah Tsuchiya-san?
吉沢不動産
YUKIHISA?
I'M CALLING NOW, SINCE WE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK AT THE PARTY...
IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'RE GETTING ALONG ARE YOU ENJOYING YOUR WORK?
Yes, I am I learned a lot today.
...I SEE
Tsuchiya-san .. I.. Is it okay for me to stay here for good?
I want to continue working with cameras...
WHAT...?

I want to become independent like Tsuchiya san.
It's annoying that you worry about me so much
Staying here I'll be learning what I want to, and I won't be causing trouble for you.
YOU MEAN YOU AREN'T COMING BACK?
I may not.
I wish you'd let me make my own choices about the future.
IDIOT! THE WORLD'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS YOU THINK.
WHAT ABOUT SCHOOL? FOR YOU TO BE INDEPENDENT...

slump
ERM...
it's your future... Do what you want
click
prr
prr
prr
TSUCHIYA-SAN...
AH...
AH...
prr
prr

YO! LONG TIME NO SEE!
Uuh, so cold.
BEFORE THAT, I HEARD YOU'RE GOING BACK TO THE COMPANY?
IS THAT REALLY OKAY?
HE TOLD YOU ALREADY?
WHY DID YOU CALL ME HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?!
I FOUND SOMETHING INTERESTING AND I THOUGHT I SHOULD SHOW IT TO YOU.
SOMETHING INTERESTING?
TSUCHIYA..

I'M YOUR FRIEND, AND I'LL ALWAYS BE ON YOUR SIDE
YOU KNOW THAT, RIGHT?
I WANT TO KNOW HOW YOU TRULY FEEL--
I... I...
KYA~ COLD~!
WHY DO WE HAVE TO WORK ON A DAY LIKE THIS?
We're gonna die out there!

MUTOU!
Tsuchiya-san♥
OH, TSUCHIYA IS HERE!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING HERE?
WE CAME HERE TO WARM UP SINCE YUKIHISA-KUN ISN'T OVER AT TSUCHIYA'S PLACE ANYMORE
DON'T INVITE YOURSELVES OVER.
ANYWAYS, KAWADA, WHAT'S SO INTERESTING...?
THROW
rattle
THE BOY'S ROOM IS ON THE SECOND FLOOR. GO TAKE A LOOK.
TSUCHIYA!

Customer's Name List
NO WAY... YUKIHISA-KUN WAS DOING THIS...?
WHAT IS THIS...? LOCATIONS WHERE THE HIGH-RANKED OFFICIALS WERE ENTERTAINED...?
Mission Accomplished!
Treat me again ♡ Emiko
THE ENVELOPE FROM THAT TIME...
SEEMS LIKE IT WAS TAKEN SECRETLY...
rustle
rustle

TSUCHIYA, THIS...!!
THE SCHEDULE OF THE OFFICIALS.
INVESTIGATED FROM THE INTERNET...?
FORMER MINISTER WATANABE FROM THE MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION?
THE OTHER PERSON IS KATOU TOKIHARU, FROM THE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY... THEY ARE INTERACTING OUTSIDE THE OFFICE,
WHICH MEANS— THERE IS BRIBERY GOING ON.
DON'T TELL ME, FUKUZAWA'S ACCIDENT!

MUTOU, PLEASE BRING THIS TO THE COMPANY IMMEDIATELY
TSUCHIYA!
WAIT!
THIS FILE IS ADDRESSED TO YOU!
WHY DO YOU THINK THAT THIS FILE WAS SENT ANONYMOUSLY? DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?
THIS INCIDENT... WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU'RE NOT THE ONE COVERING IT?!

turn
YOU...
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THAT CHILD'S FEELINGS FOR YOU?!
MUTOU...
IT'S GOOD THAT IT WASN'T A DATE, RIGHT?
KAWADA...

I DON'T UNDERSTAND... WHY WOULD HE SACRIFICE HIS CAREER AS A REPORTER TO THIS EXTENT?
TO TSUCHIYA, THAT CHILD IS MORE IMPORTANT... HE CAN SACRIFICE ANYTHING, IF IT'S FOR HIM
TSUCHIYA-SAN, WAIT!
I-I'M SORRY... YUKIHISA-KUN... IT'S MY FAULT.
IT'S LOVE
DASH
KOTOMI-CHAN?!

12/26
Restaurant Yoshino 9PM
Watanabe Kenichi
Yamamoto Kazuo
Entertained by Katou
Ah, shit
The notebook's
getting wet
swipe

Peek
AH.
SHIT, THEY'RE LEAVING. I HAVE TO HURRY!
DAMN! MY FINGERS ARE FROZEN
YUKIHISA!
I JUST WANT TO CONFIRM ONE THING...
YOUR DREAM... IS TO BECOME A PHOTOGRAPHER LIKE KAWADA, RIGHT?

MY DREAM.
IS TO COVER REPORTS WITH TSUCHIYA-SAN.
IS THAT RIGHT?
I WANT TO IMPROVE MY SKILLS.
I WANT TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED AS YOUR EQUAL.
TO COVER MANY REPORTS,
AND GROW OLD TOGETHER.
EVEN IF TSUCHIYA-SAN BECOMES OLD AND WEAK, TO THE POINT OF BEING UNABLE TO WALK—

YOU DID THIS SO I COULD RETURN TO THE COMPANY?
I...
AT THAT TIME, I'LL BE THE ONE TO HOLD TSUCHIYA-SAN'S HAND AND LEAD THE WAY
TSUCHIYA-SAN... HAS ALWAYS BEEN... SO GENTLE TO ME...
I DIDN'T REALIZE...
I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT—
YOU WERE HAVING A HARD TIME

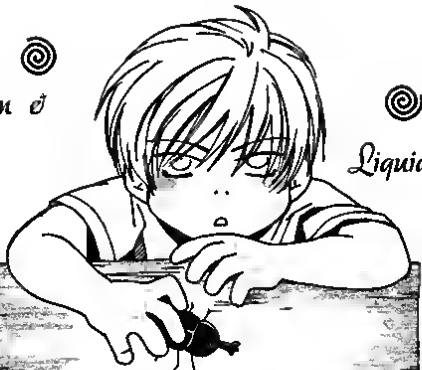
THE REASON I DIDN'T RETURN TO THE MAIN OFFICE WAS BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO LEAVE YOU ALL ALONE—
WHEN I EMBRACED YOU THAT TIME
I SWORE TO NEVER LET YOU FEEL LONELY AGAIN
IDIOT! YOU'RE MISTAKEN!
THAT'S WHY...
ENOUGH...
EVEN IF IT'S JUST A LITTLE, IF IT'S TSUCHIYA-SAN
I WANT TO BE WITH YOU!
I DON'T WANT TO LET YOU GO AGAIN.

YUKIHISA...
I'LL REPORT ON THE CONTENTS OF YOUR FILE.
PLEASE COME HOME.
I WILL RETURN TO THE COMPANY AND HELP MAKE YOUR DREAM COME TRUE

After a few days, Kawada said
I LOVE YOU, YUKIHISA.
"I'm really sick of your inability to express yourselves!"
"From now on, the category of happiness is complete."
The END

Blissful Sin &

Liquid Passion



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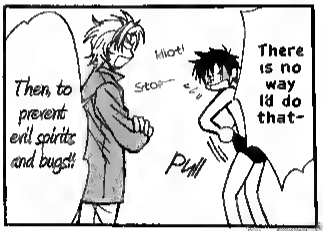
Tsuchiya-san went back to the company.
It's unbelievable how busy he is.
I'll be back tonight.
As he'd warned, there were times when he did not return for an entire week.
P.S.
After that, we...

Tsuchiya san you need to chew more!
Ohh home cooked food is the best!
I feel kinda lonely since we don't have time to see each other often, but
I'm happy that he comes straight home to me when he's able to...
TSUCHIYA-SAN, ARE YOU... GOING BACK TODAY?
rattle
I'LL... GO TAKE A BATH.
NOPE, I'M STAYING OVER.

HEY...
WHY...
STOP...
The short period of time Tsuchiya-san spends at home before going back to work,
I THOUGHT YOU WERE STILL EATING...!!
I WANT TO DO IT HERE.
NNH
is my most cherished time.
HEY...
YOU'RE MAKING ME DIZZY!

spaced out
Yeah
look
look
AH...
WHAT... ARE YOU DOING?

SWIM...
SWIM-MING...
I HAVE SWIMMING FOR THIRD PERIOD, SO...
WE'RE ALL WEARING OUR SWIMSUITS TO SCHOOL.
I-I SEE...
AH, THE POOL. I REMEMBER I USED TO WEAR MY SUIT TO SCHOOL TOO.
rustle
GRAB



It might be unnecessary to say, but Tsuchiya-san has a child-like side, too.

What the hell is that?

YEP, YEP WHEN HE SAW YOU HAVING TEA WITH A GIRL, HE WENT PALE
TSUCHIYA-SAN?
kawada Laboratory
EH? STALKING?
YOU SHOULDN'T BULLY A 30-YEAR-OLD MAN SO MUCH
HE MAY LOOK OLD BUT HE'S PRETTY NAIVE.
He he he
AH...
YUKIHISA, DROP THESE OFF FOR ME?
OKAY
EVEN IF KAWADA-SAN SAID THAT...
I'M THE ONE WHO IS WORRIED.

SLAM
NO WAY!!
dash
IF I CAN FIND THE TIME, I WILL DEFINITELY COME HOME.
DRIVER, PLEASE FOLLOW THAT CAR ...
THE ONE IN FRONT!
TSU-CHIYA-SAN.
AND HE SAID I SHOULDN'T BE UN-FAITHFUL?!

OH?
THIS IS...
FUKAZAWA-SAN, I'M SORRY . FOR NOT COMING TO VISIT YOU LATELY.
THERE'S BIG NEWS TODAY
Fukazawa Family's Tomb
IT SEEMS LIKE I CAN CLEAR YOUR CASE SOON
I WILL DEFINITELY EXPOSE THE TRUTH.
Fukazawa Family's Tomb

And I'd been wondering why there were new flowers from time to time
Fukazawa Family's Tomb
WOW
DON'T FORGET TO MENTION ALL THE GREAT SEX WE'RE HAVING.
YUKIHISA IS ALSO DOING WELL,
IT SEEMS LIKE HE'S ENJOYING HIMSELF IN SCHOOL, AND WITH PHOTOGRAPHY...
YU...
YUKI-HISA!!!
LAST NIGHT, IN THE BATH, WE DID IT TWICE...
WAH.
CONCY
FUKAZAWA-SAN, ERM..
I WANTED TO TELL YOU..
THIS IS WHAT ...
ERM
SHINE
THE TRUTH IS... I LOVE YUKIHISA AND, ERM..

Yu...
What?!
THAT'S OLD NEWS. I ALREADY TOLD HIM ABOUT US.
When did you become a reporter?!
THIS MORNING TSUCHIYA-SAN GAVE ME A HICKEY—
What's that?
LOOK, TSUCHIYA-SAN'S CHILDISH-NESS..
As you can tell, Father, the two of us are living happily together...
How am I supposed to rest in peace like this?
The END

思いおこせば数年前―投稿しようかと思いたち友達とTELで「こんなんにしよーかと思って―」とかいつまんで話したら その友達曰く「―しーちゃん―それコミックスー巻分」と即答されました。その時の話が今回の原形―少しまものなんですが あまりのシリアスっぷりにいつもはギャグばかり描いていたのでとてもこっ恥しかったです。振り返ってみるのに数100倍いいました。しかしながらこの本が記念すべきネコミックスになるわけで とても感激しております。

色々と裏話とか載りますが 詳しくはHPでどぞ(笑)

またお会い出来たら嬉しいかすぎ(^^)

● この コミックスを 出して 頂くに あたって 大変 お世話に
なった カマ いぃ。
ちえちえ、 とも ぴー、 平ちゃん、 西村さん、 えみに
久米さん、 まーさん、 寿司さん、 にに、 あちゃう。
本当に いつも ありがとう ♥♥♥
それと、 コミックスを 担当して 下さった 5 藤様 ♥♥
色々と 大変 御迷惑 おかけ いたし 申し訳 ございま
せんでした (><)
そして そして いんな 私の マンガと 読んで 下さった 皆さま ♥♥♥♥♥
本当に どうも ありがとう ございます。 これからも
がんばりますので どうぞ よろしく お願い 致します ☆

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